

## **OUR ROADS—WORK ZONE SAFETY TIPS**

As the university students leave for the summer and our City quiets down, road construction ramps up. Construction peaks during the summer months. It is important for drivers to remember the safety rules while driving through areas of road construction.

It is important for motorists to slow down and drive cautiously through work zones. Many Delaware moms, dads, grandparents, friends, and neighbors are working on our roadways to make them safer and more efficient for our fellow Delawareans' and we want them to get home safely to their families every night. When you see orange, slow down, pay attention, and expect the unexpected. Let's work together and aim for zero fatalities in work zones!

Travelling through road work zones demands complete attention from motorists due to changed traffic patterns and unexpected or unusual conditions. Safety of the traveling public and the road workers is imperative. Adherence to traffic laws is important and why Delaware enforces higher fines for traffic violations within work zones.

## **Pay Attention**

You should always keep your eyes on the road, but this is exceptionally important in work zones. Be aware of all signage throughout work zones that can indicate reduced speeds, lane changes and other important information. Avoid distractions such as your cellphone, eating, drinking, the radio, GPS and conversing with other passengers.

#### **Slow Down**

Lane closures, traffic pattern shifts, and reduced speeds are common in work zones. Make sure to slow down when entering a work zone and keep an eye out for road workers.

#### Move into the Open Lane

When approaching lane closures, move into the open lane as soon as possible. Be sure to pay close attention to vehicles around you that could be in your blind spot.

### **Keep Your Distance**

Rear-end crashes are extremely common in work zones – maintain extra space between your vehicle and the one in front of you at all times.



# HOLIDAY REFUSE COLLECTION CHANGE

Due to the Juneteenth holiday, refuse normally collected on Monday, June 19 will be collected on Tuesday, June 20. Refuse normally collected on Tuesday, June 20 will be collected on Wednesday, June 21. There will be no "Green Wednesday" yard waste collection on Wednesday, June 21.

Please contact the City of Newark Public Works and Water Resources Department at (302) 366-7000 with any questions.

## SUMMER CAMPS

Enjoy the summer with Newark Parks and Recreation. We have a wide variety of camps from sports, science, theater, computer, art, dance and more! There is bound to be something for all to enjoy!! Spaces are limited so secure your spot for the summer today at <a href="https://www.newarkde.gov/play.">www.newarkde.gov/play</a>.



## LIBERTY DAY & FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS

4th of July Fireworks will be held on Tuesday, July 4th at the University of Delaware Athletic Complex. Vendors and entertainment will begin at 6 p.m. Please call (302) 366-7000 or email <a href="mailto:parksrec@newark.de.us">parksrec@newark.de.us</a> for more information. This program is made possible, in part, by a grant from the Delaware Division of the Arts, a state agency dedicated to nurturing and supporting the arts in Delaware, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.



# **WELCOME TO THE CITY!**

The City of Newark is welcoming new faces to our workforce. The new employees include:

Miguel Feliciano, PT Parking Ambassador, Parking Division, 05/01/2023

Price Fanning, PT Bailiff, Judicial Department, 05/01/2023

George DeBenedictis, Code Enforcement Manager, Planning and Development Department, 05/15/2023

Leigh Spencer, PT Community Center Attendant, Parks & Recreation Department, 05/15/2023

Dominic Ragazzo, Electric Groundhand, Electric Department, 05/22/2023

Nathan Hilt, Electric Groundhand, Electric Department, 05/22/2023

Joseph Smiley, Temporary Skilled Laborer I, Parks Department, 05/23/2023

## YARD WASTE COLLECTION INFORMATION

- All residents are required to use an automated <u>yard</u>
  <u>waste</u> cart for all yard waste collection (green cart with
  brown/tan lid). The cart is provided at no charge by the city.
- If you do not have a yard waste cart, or would like to purchase a 2nd cart (\$75), please call the Department of Public Works and Water Resources at (302) 366-7000.
- If you would like to use your existing trash cart (not recycling) for yard waste, this is allowable but the cart must be free of all non-yard waste items and the cart must be labeled with a sign, with bold lettering stating "YARD WASTE ONLY" taped on the side of the cart facing oncoming traffic. If there is no sign on the cart, the driver will assume it contains refuse, and will not empty it.
- All yard waste must be contained within the automated cart, with the lid closed. Nothing outside the cart will be collected.
- No man-made material may be placed in a yard waste cart for collection. Mixing non-yard waste materials with yard waste may result in a fine of up to \$100. Conversely, mixing yard waste with household trash and/or recycling may also result in a fine up to \$100. Note: The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's permit for the Delaware Solid Waste Authority's landfill operation in Wilmington includes a ban on dumping all yard waste effective January 24, 2008.
- With the exception of weeks containing a holiday, yard waste is picked up every Wednesday, and only on Wednesdays, starting the first week of March and continuing until the final collection the first week of December. There are no special collections or bulk pickup services for yard waste. During the winter months, yard waste may be collected only by calling the Department of Public Works & Water Resources at (302) 366-7000 to schedule.
- Need mulch? The city mulches collected yard waste and leaves. Residents may pick up the mulch for free at the New London Road water tower site!

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